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The Permanent Mission of Greece to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Secretary-General and, with reference to Security Council resolution 841 (1993) concerning Haiti, has the honour to inform him of the following.

In accordance with the provisions of Law 92/1967, as amended by Law 2145/1993, the President of the Hellenic Republic promulgates decrees for the implementation of Security Council resolutions adopted within the framework of Article 41 of the Charter of the United Nations.

According to the same law, Security Council resolutions must previously be published in the Official Gazette, through order of the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Law 92/1967 contains the penalties imposed in case of violation of the presidential decrees implementing Security Council resolutions. These penalties include imprisonment up to five years and/or fines up to 1 million drachmas. Imprisonment may not be suspended or transformed to a pecuniary penalty. Prosecution in the above cases takes place ex officio.

In pursuance of the procedure described above, an order of the Minister for Foreign Affairs is currently being prepared for the publication of Security Council resolution 841 (1993). A presidential decree will be issued after the publication of resolution 841 (1993).

In the meantime, the competent administrative authorities are issuing a number of acts with a view to ensuring immediate implementation of resolution 841 (1993). Within this context, the Ministry of Finance has already notified (as from 22 June 1993) the customs officers throughout Greece of the restrictions imposed by resolution 841 (1993), and has ordered their strict implementation. The Bank of Greece is currently preparing an Act freezing all assets as described in the above resolution.

The EEC Council has issued regulation No. 1608/93 relating to the implementation of commercial sanctions imposed by resolution 841 (1993). This regulation is automatically enforceable after 24 June 1993 in the Greek legal order.